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contd.

3. (Amended) The optical imaging system of claim 1, wherein the first polarization direction is nominally p-polarization and the second polarization direction is nominally s-polarization.

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C2

10. (Amended) The optical imaging system of claim 1, wherein the color separation and recombination prism includes a Philips prism.

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C3

17. (Amended) The projection system of claim 13, wherein the color separation prism assembly includes a Philips prism.

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Please add new claim 25 as follows:

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25. The optical imaging system of claim 1, wherein the Cartesian polarizing beam splitter is a wire grid polarizer.

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A version marked up to show changes made to the claim(s) relative to the previous version of the claim(s) is attached.